

# News Release

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## **Nevada State Parks to Hold Public Meeting July 25 on Development of Spring Mountain Ranch State Park**

Las Vegas, Nev.—The Nevada Division of State Parks is kicking off its new development planning for Spring Mountain Ranch State Park on July 25, 2007. The division is asking for public input on changes and improvements to the park.

A public meeting will be held at 4747 W. Vegas Drive from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

"Much has changed since the original master plan was completed for Spring Mountain Ranch, and we need to revise the plan so the park meets the needs of future visitors," said Dave Morrow, administrator of the Nevada Division of State Parks. "Spring Mountain Ranch is one of our top priorities and we are inviting the public to attend and provide input into the park's development and operations. The existing master plan is almost 20 years old and Clark County has had significant population increases. Recreation use has changed radically so the park's new plan needs to reflect those changes."

Spring Mountain Ranch State Park is 600 acres and sits within the Red Rock Canyon National Recreation Lands, located 20 miles west of Las Vegas. Red Rock Canyon lies in Clark County at the southern extension of the Spring Mountains. This oasis was developed into a combination working ranch and luxurious retreat by a string of owners who have given the area a long and colorful history. Past owners of the ranch included Chester Lauck of the comedy team "Lum & Abner," German actress Vera Krupp and millionaire Howard Hughes. The park hosts the Super Summer Theatre, a non-profit organization that brings low-cost, high quality productions to the people of Southern Nevada.

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